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- 3. [ ] Applicant(s) set forth below concise explanations of the relevance of each document not in the English language and/or selected document(s) in the English language.

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